

## HANCOCK

KUKKELA IS FREED OF  
THE CHARGE OF MURDERReleased This Morning After  
Reading of Testimony of  
Witnesses

## BURGLARY HEARING TODAY

Leander Kukkelä was this morning released from custody, freed of the charge of responsibility for the death of his cousin, Matt Kukkelä, who was found dead in a ravine near Newtown on November 27. The testimony of the witnesses, who were heard at the hearing a week ago, was read and signed, and there being nothing in the evidence even pointing suspicion toward Leander, he was acquitted, and left the court a free man. He received the warm congratulations of his friends who were present in court, and some of whom had been witnesses in the case.

The acquittal of Kukkelä was no surprise, it being generally considered that he would be freed of the charge, nothing in the evidence indicating that he had killed his cousin, and tending rather to show that relations between the two on the night of Matt's disappearance were decidedly friendly. Attorney W. A. Burritt, who appeared for Kukkelä, pointed out at the time of the examination a week ago that at the time of Matt's death, as related by witnesses, Leander was asleep in the snow at a point half a mile distant from the place where Matt met his death. The presumption now is that the latter broke his neck by rolling down the declivity into the ravine, while walking home along one of the footpaths leading from town to the home of the deceased at Newtown. That Leander would be freed of the charge was indicated by the fact that he was released on his own recognizance after the hearing, promising to be on hand this morning after the testimony had been transcribed.

The examination of Elbert Abramson and Isaac Keckonen, who were arrested last Monday by Chief Tibor on a charge of being implicated in the burglary at the Salo saloon a month or so ago, and which was adjourned until today, will come up this afternoon before Justice Oliver.

## HOME STUDY CLUB.

Officers of the Hancock Home Study Club were elected Tuesday to serve for the coming year, as follows: President, Mrs. E. A. La Rowe; vice-president, Mrs. M. D. Roberts; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Henry L. Baer; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Frank Mayworm; librarian, Mrs. C. W. Macdonough. The secretary's report was received and other interesting features made the meeting an important one.

## CHRISTMAS TRADE BRISK.

Many Shoppers Heeding Injunction to Do Shopping Early.

The streets of Hancock have a decidedly holiday aspect these days, being thronged by people visiting the various local stores in search of goods for the Christmas season. The various stores where special sales are in progress are visited daily by large crowds making purchase of goods of a useful nature in the way of clothing, furnishings, etc., while the jewelry, dry goods, book and toy departments are being extensively patronized. The displays of toys is very large, and comprise dolls in great variety, and many mechanical toys, such as trains, automobiles, air ships, etc. The store windows are beautifully trimmed for the holiday season, among the most attractive being those of the Gartner store, Nichols and Brun's drug stores, Funky and Kerredge hardware stores, Perso's, Ruppe's, the Hancock Furniture store and others, all of which show taste and artistic skill in arrangement. Merchants have all laid in large stocks of holiday goods and from the number of sales already made to those who are doing their Christmas shopping early, a trade fully up to that of previous seasons is anticipated.

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## TONIGHT'S ATTRACTION.

The big company that will present the musical comedy "A Stubborn Cinderella" at the Kerredge theatre this evening is one of the strongest that has been seen here this season, and the play is said by those who have seen it to be even better than "The Time, the Place and the Girl," by the same authors. There has been a large advance sale of seats for this evening's performance and a big reservation has also been made for tomorrow night's presentation of the piece. On Saturday night "St. Elmo," dramatized by Grace Hayward from Mrs. Augusta J. Evans' well known book, will be the attraction, and those who have read the book will want to see the play. The attraction for New Years will be "The Climax," one of the strongest and most highly praised dramas of the day.

## JANUARY SOCIAL SESSION.

Hancock Elks Preparing for Initiation on January 20.

A special meeting of the Hancock lodge of Elks was held last evening at which a committee was appointed to draft suitable resolutions bearing on the death of the late Joseph Brady. It was decided to hold a big social session in connection with the initiation to be held on Thursday, January 20, which will be the first big meeting of the new year.

It is expected that something definite will be ready for announcement, in relation to the annual show to be given for charity. In a few days, and it is the expectation to have the coming entertainment the best ever given by the lodge. Besides local talent, of which the lodge contains an abundance of material, it is probable that one or two professional entertainers will be included on the program.

## WHOLESALE COMPLAINS.

Requirements of Warner-Crampton Liquor Law Are Disregarded.

Complaint is made by some of the wholesale liquor dealers of Houghton county that some of the provisions of the Warner-Crampton liquor law which went into effect last September are being disregarded. One requirement that they claim is not being observed is in relation to the provision obliging foreign wholesale firms having dealings in this state to pay a license fee of five hundred dollars. A prominent wholesaler states that he has looked into the matter and finds that out of a very large number doing business in this state, only three firms have taken out the required license. The number of whisky agents visiting this section, he states, is larger now than ever, owing to their being debarred from a number of states where prohibitory legislation is in effect.

A committee of Houghton county wholesalers recently called the attention of county officials to the fact that there were only four wholesalers names included on the list of Houghton county dealers published recently, while they claim that there are no less than ten doing a wholesale business, the other six not being listed as having paid the county wholesale tax which is required in addition to the federal license. The names of the six not on the list were given to the officials, who informed the committee that they would look into the matter.

The wholesalers who have taken up the matter declare that they have nothing against any of the outside agents, nor the unlicensed county dealers, but that the interests of their business demand that those who have complied with the law should not suffer on account of those who have not.

## FOR COLLEGE BENEFIT.

A concert and social for the benefit of the Hancock Finnish College will be held on Sunday evening next, December 19, at Winona, in which a number of persons from Hancock will take part. Included in the program will be an address by E. Tolonen; piano solo by Otto Kuarti; selection by male quartet and mandolin solo by Mr. Kuarti.

At the regular weekly meeting of the North Star Temperance society on Saturday night a committee will be appointed to arrange for a program to be given at the hall for the Christmas holidays.

Jacob Holmud, Waino Keranen and Heikki Hukkonen were chosen as auditors for the coming annual meeting of the Atlantic Finnish church and Severus Moulanen and John Keranen a committee to prepare a list of names of members of the church.

The fancy work sale at the St. Joseph's hospital is attracting a large number of ladies from both Hancock and Houghton and the affair promises to be a great success. The serving of refreshments is much appreciated. The sale is in progress today and will be continued to a close tomorrow.

A regular business meeting of the St. Joseph's Young Men's Catholic club will be held this evening.

William Voelker, manager of the local office of the National Cash Register company, went to Ontonagon yesterday on business.

## NEW HIGH SCHOOL NEEDED.

Board Feels This Would Be Best Means to Relieve Congestion.

Notwithstanding the erection of the new primary building in West Hancock, the Central primary is but little relieved of the congestion, the number of new pupils constantly entering bringing the total up to what there was before the E. L. Wright school

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was started. The school board is gradually coming to believe that the best means of relief of the existing conditions would be the erection of a new high school building, leaving the present structure to be devoted entirely to the grammar grades. It is thought that having a different building for the high school would increase the scholastic pride of pupils graduating from the grammar grades in a similar way, but not to the same extent as graduating from the high school and entering a higher institution of learning. All the room in the building could be used to advantage, as the increase in number of pupils is exceeding the anticipations that were felt when the six additional rooms were built to the Central primary three years ago. It was thought then that ample room would be afforded for several years, but only three years have passed and the school is overcrowded. Even with the transfer of a number of children to the E. L. Wright school, the congestion will still be felt and the board feels that something must be done and the matter is likely to be acted upon during the coming year.

## SAYS HE'S TOO BUSY.

Lehto Suggests That Peterson Try Some Other Wrestlers First.

Karl Lehto, the Hancock wrestler, in reply to the challenge for a match between him and Charlie Peterson of Duluth, declares that he has too many engagements on hand at the present time to take on any more, and suggests that if the Duluth man is anxious for a match here he might take on Wilfrid Grönlund or Kangas. Lehto claims to have once thrown Peterson in Duluth, but after he has disposed of some of his present dates the local man says he will be willing to accommodate the Minnesota champion. Saturday Lehto will go to Ishpeming where he figures on a bout in connection with the match between Wilfrid Grönlund and Matt Kangas of Ishpeming.

## HANCOCK BREVITIES.

Jacob Dolf of Marquette is visiting at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Michel Quayle.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Hancock Methodist Episcopal church met yesterday afternoon in the church parlors.

Mrs. T. B. Dunstan and daughter, Miss Emma Dunstan, left yesterday for New York.

The Christmas rush at the local express offices and at the postoffices is now on and will increase to large proportions during the next few days. It is probable that extra clerks will have to be engaged at the postoffice to handle the holiday business.

A rehearsal of "Meister Tutenbach," the opera to be given on New Year's eve by the Maennerchor society of Hancock, was held last evening.

The Northern Michigan Building & Loan association has an attractive Christmas decoration in its show windows consisting of a couple of small cottages, embowered in a snowy landscape, while the glow of warmth comes from the house's interior. A large electric sign occupies another window, and denotes in figures the shares of stock in the association sold since Oct. 1.

A force of men has been set at work under Foreman Cullinley by the Wisconsin Bridge & Iron company to hasten to completion the structural work on the new buildings of the Hancock Consolidated Mining company.

Manager J. H. Moreau of the Scott hotel has recovered from a recent illness with the gripple.

Word has been received by friends of Ole Peterson, of the safe arrival of the latter in Norway, where he has gone to spend the holidays.

The Quincy public schools will close tomorrow afternoon for the Christmas holidays, and appropriate programs will be given in the various rooms. The lower grade children will unite in rendering a cantata, "Santa Claus's Helpers," which is very pretty. The Hancock Finnish college will close tomorrow. The Hancock, Ripley and Franklin schools will not close until next week.

Mrs. Carry McKensie will return Sunday to her home in lower Michigan after a visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. H. A. Lewis in Houghton. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Richards of White street are the parents of a baby boy which arrived Tuesday evening. The remains of the ninth month's old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Swan-

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DAY AND NIGHT SERVICE

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## TORCH LAKE NEWS

## FORESTERS ELECT.

At the regular meeting of Hubbell lodge, Catholic Order of Foresters this week, the following officers were elected:

Chief ranger, Charles Spahn. Vice chief ranger, John Lamotte. Rec. Sec., Edward Lamotte. Fin. Sec., Anton Kohnmaier. Treasurer, Arthur Marcotte. Trustees, Alfred C. Perso, Joseph Thurmes, Richard Cuddihy.

The officers will be publicly installed at a meeting to be held on the second Sunday next month.

## FUNERAL THIS MORNING.

The funeral of Mrs. Zelpha Pinard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. Fournaine of Point Mills, was held this morning. The deceased was a former resident of Lake Linden, having been born here. Recently, she with other members of the family resided in Duluth, while at which place she became ill and died. She was 31 years of age and leaves a husband and five children to mourn her demise. The body was shipped to Duluth Bay from Duluth. The interment took place in Mount Calvary cemetery this morning.

## TORCH LAKE BREVITIES.

Today is the anniversary of the "Boston Tea Party" which took place in 1773. Flags flew from the masts of all the schools today in honor of that event. Tomorrow the flags will also wave from the staffs, the day being the 100th anniversary of Whittier's birth.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jenkin are the happy parents of a baby boy which arrived in their home yesterday.

Mrs. A. Wain of Allouez spent today in Lake Linden visiting with her daughter, Mrs. W. J. Carah.

The local members of George Millar Camp Spanish War Veterans went to Houghton last night to attend the meeting of that organization.

Charles Spahn of Hubbell has recovered from an attack of la grippe and is again at work.

Holiday  
Preparations

The approach of the holiday season finds us prepared to meet the demand of the Holiday shoppers.

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## Leather Rocker

Leatherette Couches, Leatherette Bed Davenport, etc.

## 9x12 Rugs

Armstrong, Wilton Velvet, Brussels, etc.

**Men's Fur Lined Coats**

Men's Plush lined Coats, Men's Fur Caps, Men's Fur lined Gloves.

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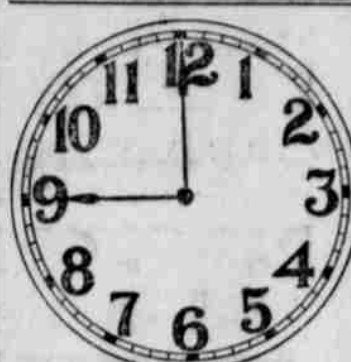
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## CHILDREN'S DRESSES.

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## MAIDS' APRONS.

7 doz. maid aprons, plain and embroidery trimmed, sold from 49c to 59c. Friday 9 to 11 .....39c

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## The Glass Block Store Co.

CALUMET MICHIGAN

Mrs. Thomas Dollinger of Hibbing, Minn., is spending a few days visiting with friends in the Torch Lake towns. John R. Main, president of the Torch Lake Indoor Baseball league, resigned this morning. This will necessitate the holding of another meeting and the election of an official head for the league soon.

## NAMED IN INSURANCE SCANDAL.



George P. Sheldon, ousted head of the Phoenix Insurance company.

New York, Dec. 13.—While near death's door George P. Sheldon, ousted president of the Phoenix Insurance company, was charged with the embezzling of more than \$1,000,000, which he is alleged to have spent in speculation. The story of misuse of funds

was unearthed by Superintendent of Insurance Hotchkiss, who alleges the falsification of reports and the misapplication of funds since 1887. Sheldon was born in New York in 1847. He is a graduate of Yale and since his collegiate days has been an important factor in the insurance world. He has been president of the Phoenix company since 1883.

The newest wonder is Brennan's gyroscopic railroad car, which runs on a single rail, can run on the tight rope, go up and down hill, turn corners swiftly and safely, all on the principle of the spinning top, which does not fall down so long as it goes on spinning. Two heavy gyroscopes rotating in vacuums in Brennan's car keep the car upright, and will not let it fall over. The principle was tried out two years ago in a model in Berlin. Its working was publicly shown last week in England with a 20-ton car which carried 40 persons, running on two wheels up and down a straight single track and around a circular track 220 yards long. Enormous speed—150 miles an hour—is predicted for railroad cars of this type, as well as great economy of power. It sounds fantastic and incredible, but the deeper one reads into its story the more serious and astonishing it appears. Louis Brennan, the inventor, has been at work for 30 years on the idea. He is the author of a successful torpedo, which bears his name—Harpier's Weekly.

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